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9. [] John Lehman, on the White House staff, called to ask if the Agency was appearing this week before the Nedzi Subcommittee regarding the Hebert/Arends bill (H.R. 9853) on security of classified information. I said we were not, in view of our policy against appearing in open session. Lehman was glad to hear this. He asked my views about trying to delay hearings on this subject until next month so that the Administration's position could be clarified and further work completed in the NSSM 13 exercise. I said one argument against delay was the possibility that the Moorhead Subcommittee would pick up the ball and run with it, and I thought we were better off dealing with Nedzi. Lehman said this was a consideration which hadn't occurred to them, and maybe they had better take another look. He asked how we were getting along with Nedzi and I said there were no major problems at this stage. This seemed to surprise him.

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Lehman said he had a friend leaving the Navy who was interested in a job with Air America. I suggested his friend contact Air America's office directly, but told Lehman to let us know when he did and give us any recommendations he might want to offer so we could be sure they got full attention.

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10. [] In response to Ambassador Winthrop G. Brown's, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for East Asian Affairs, request

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11. [] Talked to Mr. Bruce Clarke, OSR, who told me he had a good meeting with Mr. Fred Wikner, assistant to Dr. John S. Foster, Director of Defense Research & Engineering, Department of Defense, and relayed to him the information provided in the meeting with Mr. Frank Slatinshek, Assistant Chief Counsel, House Armed Services Committee, concerning differences in the information provided by the Director and Dr. Foster on Soviet R&D. Mr. Clarke will brief Mr. Slatinshek on the meeting.

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